

REPUBLIC, BEFORE AND AFTER TAKING

St. Louis Republic, Overwrought on Account of Violence and Fraud at Primary Election in St. Louis in 1904 is Skeptical and Vicious Over Charges of Similar Frauds in 1908.

What angered and aroused the Republic in 1904, when city candidates were nominated, and delegates selected to state conventions, was treated by that organ of the Missouri' Democracy as an ordinary occurrence in 1908, when both city and state candidates were nominated. The same gang of ballot-hox stuffers, crooks, thugs and thieves, under the same Democratic leadership and auspices, who operated in this city for the sake of state candidates of the "Old Guard" ringsters in 1904 operated for the state candidates of the same gang in 1908.

In 1904 the Republic expressed the severest condemnation of their In 1908 it expresses the severest condemnation of work and its results. Herbert S. Hadley for pointing out and proving their work and its results. The Republic in 1904 was virtuous to a marked degree. In 1908 it is

vicious in the highest degree.

The primary election in St. Louis | prevent similar occurrences at the St for March, 1904, for nomination of city Louis primaries. officials and delegates to state conventions, was conducted by Demo- grave than those of commission. cratic election crooks and thugs and primary election in August of this souri, the people of the whole state, scenes and incidents of the day.

city primary election, the St. Louis Republic said editorially:

"A Grave Issue."

"No good citizen can read of the Democratic primaries last Saturday without recognizing that a new issue has been created of graver character and higher importance than any question of partisan politics. The story of the day is a tale of outrage and inprivate right, and personal libertyinfamy loading the police authorities with disgrace.

"It is impossible to speak of the day's occurrences with moderate phrases. They require strong language, and no words can aggregate the gravity of the issue St. Louis faces. It would have been sufficiently serious if the police had simply been unable to repress the riotous proceed ings of the organized gangs of rufflans that invaded the West End precincts. But the seriousness of the sitis greatly increased by the overwhelming mass of evidence showing that the police willingly permitted many outrages to go unrebuked, if they did not actually and actively assist the rufflans who committed them.

"There is no chance to question the fact that the imported rowdles who ran amuck continuously for six long into frauds in St. Louis, is in a much hours in the twenty-eighth ward had the sympathy and protection of the police who were stationed at its two polls. Citizens who were shoved and beaten and slugged in their efforts to And knowing them, he has deliberate faithfully execute a high civic duty ly and maliciously distorted the truth appealed in vain for police protection. He has deliberately and maliciously Voters who were personally known to distorted the truth that he might profit the officers found their appeals as absolutely futile as those who were unknown, and the word seems to have been passed around that a man with a clean shirt or a decent coat was to be accorded no rights unless he was known to carry a Hawes ballot.

"Mr. Hawes and the leaders who are associated with him, as well as the Board of Police Commissioners and the Chief of Police, must meet the full load of responsibility the riotous

scenes of Saturday impose upon them. "It will not avail to deny the rioting and outrage. It was witnessed by too many people and is denounced by too many Democrats with lifelong records of party loyalty. It will not avail to disprove and condemn. The riot at the Clayton primary put every one on guard, and the duty of Mr. Hawes, of his friends, and of the police au-thorities, who were thus forewarned, was to take effective precautions to

"Sins of omission may be no less

"In the new and dormant issue thus thieves, just as they conducted the forced to the front the people of Mis-The city was scandalized and are no less concerned than are the people were ashamed of the people of St. Louis itself. With per sonal liberty at an end and free suf-March 14, 1904, two days after the frage lost in St. Louis, the State is in the gravest danger. The riot of misrule and disorder here carries 111 delegates to each State convention to misrepresent St. Louis and mislead the State Democracy.

"It remains to be seen whether the Democracy of Missouri is willing to confirm this domination of rowdles

and ruffians." A VICIOUS DENIAL.

Thursday, October 15, 1908, angered famy-outrage completely thwarting by the continual assertions of Herbert S. Hadley that the general primary election in August was conducted by the same crooks and thugs and thieves for the benefit of Cowherd and his associates, and that gigantic frauds were perpetrated, resulting in a big majority for Cowherd in the city, the St. Louis Republic broke loose from its mooring to pure elections and honest politics and abused and villified Mr. Hadley in the most drastic language, saying, among other things as mean and vicious as any vitriolic pen could indict:

"Hadley's Immorality." (Excerpt from long editorial in Re

public of October 14, 1908.) Third-Herbert S. Hadley, ney General of the State, superior officer and personal and political friend of Circuit Attorney Sager, who has conducted the whole better position than anyone else, except possibly Sager, to know the nature and extent of the frauds. He does know their nature and extent. personally in the attainment of his political ambitions.

What Was Done in 1904.

The committee having charge of the campaign of Governor Folk in 1904 sent a letter to citizens of St. Louis soliciting funds for overcoming the re-sults of the frauds perpetrated at the primaries in March—the frauds to which the "Republic" referred in its editorial of March 14 of that year. their letter the committeemen said: 'The outrages at the recent primaries have excited the indignation of the people of Missouri from one end of the state to the other, and the sentiment is freely expressed that delegates which have been elected by fraud and intimidation should not be seated in the convention. * * The desperate efforts of the machine ring make it necessary for us to push the campaign with all possible energy.

BADGE OF THE HONEY BEE.

Working Republicans, contributors of five dollars and more to the State Committee, nominees on the State, Congressional, District and County tickets, and Republican Newspaper men will have an opportunity to wear a beautiful gilt Taft pin as the badge of a busy 'honey bee' of the Republican party in Missouri.

Wear them for the week preceding and upon election day with the personal compliments



Yours faithfully, WALTER S. DICKEY. Chairman.

FIRST VOTERS' LEAGUE.

Enrollment of Young Men Who Will Cast Their First Vote for President and Governor.

State Chairman Walter S. Dickey is enrolling the names of first voters in the "First Voters' League of Missouri. The following announcement, already mailed to thousands of young men in the State, fully explains the object of the League:

"You are about to cast your first Your first participation in County, State, and National government will have a strong influence upon your life, affecting your associations and your business. With your first vote you will ally yourself with a political party, and the choice of parties lies before you for calm considera-

'You have the opportunity to enroll yourself with the Republicans, who have made this nation what it is to day; who have kept the faith queathed to them by their fathers, established a firm standard of sound statesmanship, and administered the government by men of proved experience and integrity. If you make this choice you at once associate yourself with men of achievement and leaders of the nation.

"If, however, some whim or false argument impels you to cast your vote with the opponents of those have accomplished so much, reflect well before following that impulse. The so-called Democratic party of tohas veered like a weathercock under the influence of a visionary leader who champions policies untried and unapproved by a majority of the

voters in this country. "This year you have a voice, not only in the election of the Governor of Missouri, but in the election of the President of the United States. Republicans offer for President of the Republic and for Governor of Missouri two fearless, upright men, trained to the duty of executing the laws, whose careers of accomplishment assure the people of their fitness for these important positions, and whose person-alities have won the esteem and approval of the entire American people.

The Democrats put forward as their Presidential candidate a politician who has changed his belief reseatedly, who is unstable, untried and distrusted even by members of his own party. And you are undoubtedly conversant with the method by which the Democratic candidate for Governor of Missouri secured his nomination, a nomination which created widespread alarm and distrust throughout the State.

"What will you do with your ballot?
"We now ask you to join the Republican First Voters' League of Missouri,

First Voters' button and a Taft-Hadley watch fob.

"And as a Republican First Voter of Missouri you will be a member of the to the point: large, enthusiastic Republican organization in this State that is working to, and will, carry old Missouri for Taft and Hadley.
"Yours faithfully,
"Yours faithfully,

WALTER S. DICKEY,

"Chairman."

Young men desiring to enroll and having no blank may write a letter to Mr. Dickey in this form, and send it at once, so as to become a member before election day:

Walter S. Dickey, Chairman Republican State Committee, St. Louis, Mo. Dear Sir:

Please enroll me as a member of the Republican First Voters' League of Missouri. In accepting membership in the league I will undertake to talk to other first voters in my neighborhood during October and help the cause along in every way possible. Name

Post Office County President Roosevelt Says:

To fail to elect Mr. Taft would be calamity to the country; and it would be folly, while electing him, yet at the same time to elect a Congress hostile to him, a Congress which under the influence of partisan leadership would be certain to thwart and baffle him on every possible occasion. To elect Mr. Taft, and at the same time elect a Congress pledged to support him, is the only way in which to perpetuate the policy of the government as now carried on. I teel that all the aid that

can be given to this policy by every

is far more than a merely partisan

matter.

A Sharp Shot. If the people of Missouri know man from a mouse, Herbert S. Hadley will beat W. S. Cowherd for Governor by 15,000 votes. Hadley has done

something. Cowherd is the front put up for the gang that has "done" the people of Missouri for thirty years.— St. Louis Mirror, edited by Wm. Wm. Marion Reedy.

from individuals or alleged organizations against Hadley or any other Republican candidate is sent out by the enemy, Mail any circular, card, letter or other matter received to W. S. Dickey, Chairman State Committee,

FULKERSON GIVES RECORD OF M

Nominated by "Old Guard" Influences -Mixed Up With the Al -How He Voted When a State Senator.

In his speeches throughout the State | bidding with a promptne Hon. Frank B. Fulkerson, Republican worthy of a good cause nominee for Attorney General, has been giving special attention to the 1897, and you will find t public record of his opponent, Elliott such fellows as Mortor W. Major, who was nominated four and others of like charge

It is well for the voters of the state book-making and pool-state to remember that the same reasons viding for a license the exist today for the defeat of Major that were used four years ago. He is people of St. Louis the no better now than he was then, but bitt election law und on the contrary, is more closely all years the St. Louis me bright, ambitious young men casting lied with the politics of the "Old Gang" stole election their first votes at the coming election. Guard" crowd, and they specially want Republicans, and so e Please think the matter over carefully, him in the office of Attorney General, business did they become and without delay return the enclosed application blank signed. We will then issue you a membership card. frank and plain in dealing with the record of Major. In a recent speech of his well-carned nomi he said, among other things equally

> Old Gang Be Restored to Power in to a certain Baking Pow Missouri?" My opponent, Eiliot W. a monopoly of the sale of Major, a member of the "Old Gang" ders in this State. Do the four years ago, when he ran for At- the promoter of the b torney General against Hadley, and monopoly to become th twelve years ago, when he was elect torney General? Do yo ed and served them as a State Sena he will prosecute with tor, is still loyal to them, and they violators of the law wh are trying to secure his election.

> Examine his official record as a State Senator. Did he represent the no mistake when they re people, or the gang? If elected Attor- him four years ago. Has ney General will he represent the people or the gang? These are pertinent questions, and the voters of Missouri should know Major's official record,

> for by it they should judge him. In 1897, his first year as State Senator, he made his connection with the "Old Gang" promptly, and, as shown Farris, Morton, Orchard by his Senatorial record, he did their their ilk.

Turn to page 681, \$ years ago by the Democrats for the for the breeders' bill same office and was defeated, with the souri, for a considerati other "Old Guard" Democratic nomi- He assisted by his vote the Senate of Missour

He helped to faste Louis when they robb

This same Major vote Alum Bill upon the str The paramount issue is, "Shall the souri, the effect of whic not tool he was, when a did their bidding? The thing since to atone for h he denounced the "Old G ods? Has he ever re

former allegiance to the You will find Mr. Majo the Alum Bill on page Journal, 1899. Here he

THAT FAKE CIRCULAR.

Sent to Honest Voters to Deceive Them About Herbert S. Hadley.

If any one who reads these lines has received a circular purporting to come from "The St. Louis Sunday Ob- little doubt that he will servance Association," and signed "B. E. Reynolds, secretary," let him remember, and let him tell his friends that it is a Democratic fake; that diligent tives, and are only promu efforts to locate such a society or such a secretary have failed; that no min-ister in St. Louis has been found who knows anything whatever of such a society or such a secretary; that the chief statements contained in the circular are false and misleading; that good citizen should be given; for this the circular evidently was prepared and mailed for Democrats; that it is a campaign trick-an effort to poison the minds of honest Christian and temperance voters for political purposes. It uses the Christian Sabbath and the prevalent temperance senti-ment in the State for partisan purposes. It prostitutes to the use of scrupulous politicians the religious sentiments of honest voters. It is simply a cloak of virtue under which is found the horns and hoofs and hideous form of the devil seeking to invade the homes and poison the WARNING! Whatever is received minds of respectable people. It uses the spirit of a saint to accomplish the

purposes of Satan. The author of this circular gives no street or building address, but hides behind the number of his post-office box, knowing that the Postmaster cannot reveal to any one the name of the

renter of a post-office itself shows the cloven for

While the identity of t the circular is suspected are being made to bring limelight it can only be

time of this writing that a man whose Christian or appeals are unworthy of s tion and unsupported by the Democratic candidate by deceiving voters about Hadley and his relation laws and the liquor traffi

"If a man die shall he is an apt paraphrase of used on posters issued b man of a Republican con tee. It is quite suggestive primary election returns and Kansas City.

Vote for Colonel Reynol of the St. Louis Court of is a fine selection for the Judgeship.

Bryan having already be ith no probability of suc third race for the Presi vote for him? Why not . with Taft and Sherman as policies they represent?

Watch out for irrespon ading came